



# NAVY BAND NORTHWEST

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## WIND ENSEMBLE

The Navy Band Northwest Wind Ensemble performs throughout the Pacific Northwest for a variety of military functions and public concerts. Most notably, the group participates in the annual SEAFAIR celebration, performing in the shadow of the Seattle Space Needle. They also host a series of theme-oriented public concerts during the spring and fall at the Keyport Naval Undersea Museum Auditorium. Additionally, they also host Holiday Concerts throughout the Puget Sound area for the local Navy and civilian communities. The group consists of talented, versatile Navy musicians and provides a wide variety of music for audiences of all ages and walks of life.

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## DIRECTOR

### Lieutenant Junior Grade Charles B. Roegiers, U.S. Navy

A native of Vermillion, South Dakota, Lieutenant (jg) Roegiers is currently the Director of Navy Band Northwest on Naval Base Kitsap - Bangor in Silverdale, Washington.

During his high school years, Mr. Roegiers was twice selected as principle tubist for South Dakota's All-State Band and as solo tubist for the All-State Orchestra. While attending the University of South Dakota, he sat first chair tuba in the University's Symphonic Band and Wind Ensemble all four years and in 1980, was selected as principle tubist for the Mid America Inter-collegiate Band in Davenport, Iowa. Two years later, in 1982, he was chosen to represent his home state, South Dakota, in the All American College Marching Band for the grand opening of Walt Disney World's "Epcot Center" in Orlando, Florida.

His professional career began when he was hired as solo tubist and later, flying trapeze and teeter-board acrobat with the "Carson and Barnes Circus" of Hugo, Oklahoma where he met his wife to be. He remained with the show for four years, touring throughout the United States.

LTJG Roegiers enlisted in the Navy in 1987 and attended Recruit Training at RTC, Great Lakes in Chicago, Illinois. After Boot Camp, he attended Musician's "A" School at the Navy School of Music, in Norfolk Virginia, graduating at the top of his class. Subsequent assignments included duty with Navy Bands at Naval Station Treasure Island in San Francisco, California, Naval Training Center Orlando, Florida, Naval Support Activity, Memphis, Tennessee, and under the Commander, SEVENTH Fleet in Yokosuka, Japan, where he traveled extensively throughout the Western Pacific theater as Unit Leader and electric bassist of SEVENTH Fleet Band's premiere Show Band, "Far East Edition." In 2000, he completed the Enlisted Band Leader Course at the School of Music and was given follow-on orders on staff as the Navy Military Training Coordinator. Upon receiving word of his selection for a Naval Commission in 2001, he "fleeted up" to the position of Director, Navy Band Fleet Support Unit and was co-assigned as Training Support Officer for the School of Music. He has held his current position as Director, Navy Band Northwest since May of 2004.

While on active duty, he earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Humanities (emphases in music and psychology). In 1996, he represented the Navy in an Armed Forces seminar at the South Eastern Tuba-Euphonium Conference at the University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia.

Personal awards include the Enlisted Surface Warfare Specialist (ESWS) qualification, the Navy Commendation Medal (three awards), the Navy Achievement Medal (four awards), the Good Conduct Medal (five awards) and the Navy Pistol Expert Medal. He has three children, Dominique (14), Charles (11) and Julia (4) and has been married, for 19 years, to the former Elvira Lorena Vargas.

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